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Waveland UMC hosts indoor rummage sale

Waveland United Methodist Church at Central & Vacation Lane will host an indoor rummage sale this Friday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. until

Lakeshore Baptist sets homecoming

Lakeshore Baptist Church will celebrate its Homecoming on Sunday, Oct. 27, 10:30 a.m., with guest speaker Bro. Sylvester Stewart.

American Legion to host fish fry Saturday

American Legion Aux. 139 will host a fish fry for the green team 6-8 p.m. Saturday at the club house. \$5 donation.

Business After Hours

The Hancock County Chamber After Hours will be today, 5-7 p.m., at the Palm House Bed & Breakfast at 217 Union St. in BSL. Ribbon cutting at 4:30 p.m.

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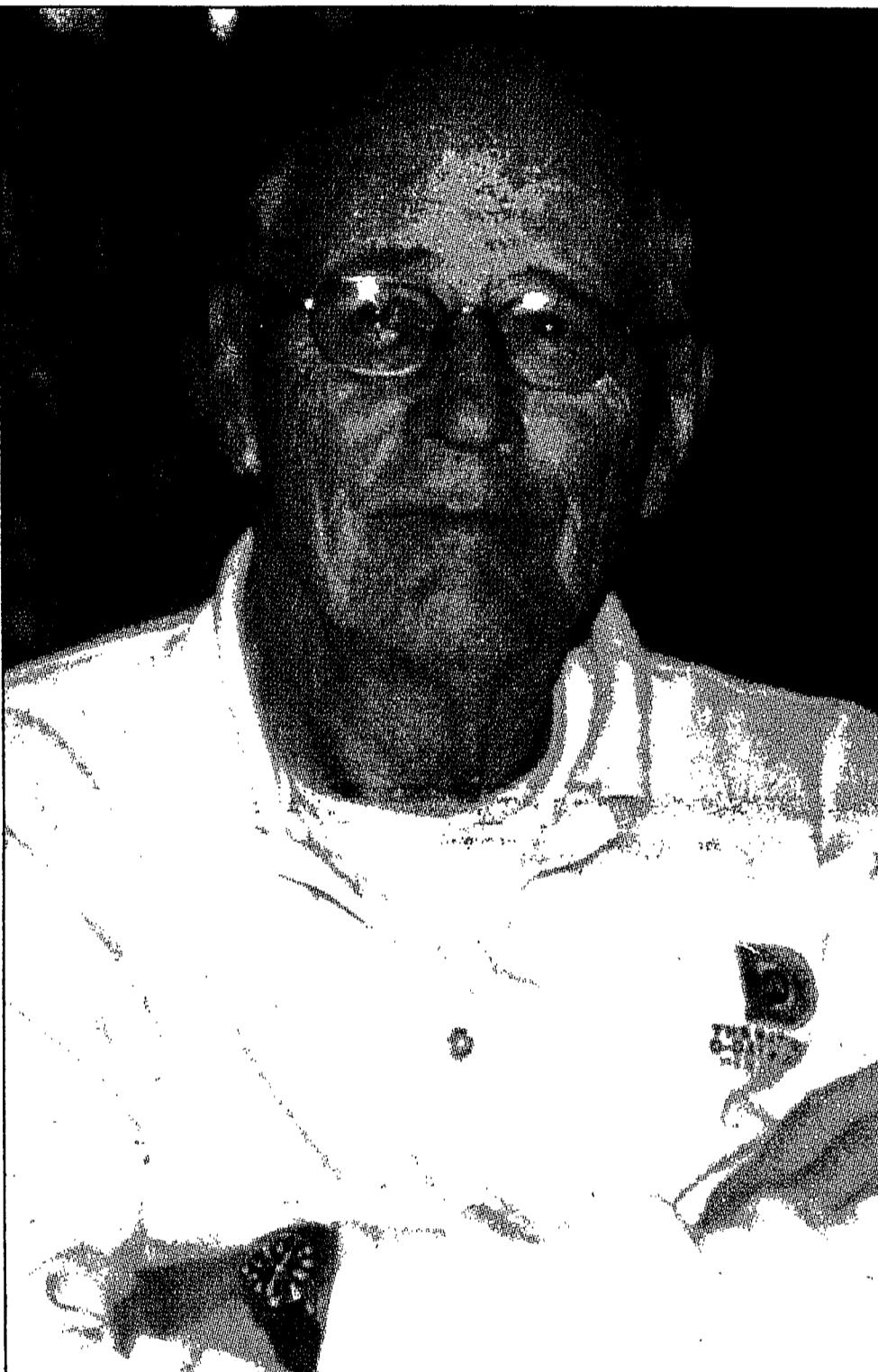
Locals recall famed author as a nice man with a big yellow dog

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

He wasn't really ours, but we claimed him anyway. Having such a talented person in the community seemed to make us all feel just a little more special. When cancer took the life of famed historian and author Stephen Ambrose on Sunday, Bay St. Louis lost one of its most illustrious citizens. Ambrose was laid to rest at a private ceremony attended by family and close friends, on Wednesday morning.

Ambrose began a career following after his father's footsteps - as a medical student at the University of Wisconsin, but soon found that he had an affinity for storytelling. And what makes better stories than history, as he learned from a professor at the university, who turned his history lessons into fascinating stories.

He became part of the pioneer faculty at what was then Louisiana State University at New Orleans when it opened on the grounds of an abandoned air station in buildings that



Dr. Stephen Ambrose at his last public appearance in Bay St. Louis in May.

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Historian Dr. Stephen Ambrose at his home in Bay St. Louis last year. See Dr. Ambrose "In his own words on page 1B.



Historian remembered as a man who made 'history come alive'

BY BRETT MARTEL
Associated Press Writer

Though too young to see combat in World War II, historian Stephen E. Ambrose made a career of offering a soldier's view of the conflict, from the sounds at Normandy to the chill at the Battle of

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Clean-up begins at train accident site

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

CSX officials on Monday began the arduous task of cleaning up the scene at Waveland where a train derailed last week.

"They started unloading the cars yesterday," Waveland Mayor Tommy Longo said on Wednesday. "CSX had (at first) wanted to just shut down Central Ave. ... and that could have been for as long as four or

five days."

However, he said, the CSX and city officials worked out a compromise which would allow the company enough access to the area and still ensure that "anybody who lives in that neighborhood has full access to their homes," Longo said.

About 24 of the train's 102 cars left the tracks

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Workers begin cleanup efforts at the Waveland site of a train derailment.

Cruisin' bigger & better than ever

Bay merchants: CTC gave much-needed business boost

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

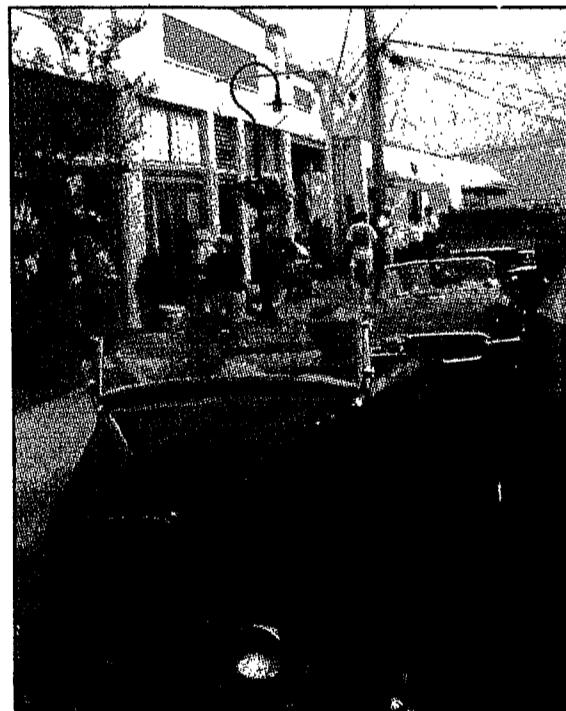
The last of the cruisers rolled out of Old Town on Sunday, but the afterglow of Cruisin' the Coast still lingers in Bay St. Louis.

The city's site manager for the annual event, Mickey Lagasse, reported 5,206 registered cars cruised through Bay St. Louis at least once during the eight-day event.

Because the Bay was an official sponsor, the registered cruisers were required to visit the city.

"There were 1,100 more cars this year than last year," said Lagasse, who has worked with Cruisin' for the past three years. "Each year it gets bigger and better."

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Classic cars line Main St. in Bay St. Louis Saturday. More photos on page 14A.

Pass aims to squash 'litterbugs'

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

Alderman Donald Moore raised the issue of the city's litter problem during a recess meeting of the Pass Christian Board of Aldermen Tuesday.

"We have a major prob-

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Cook-out, Music Fest set for Saturday at Depot

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The 24th annual Cook-out and Music Fest will be held all day Saturday, Oct. 19 on the grounds of the historic Bay St. Louis Depot in Bay St. Louis.

"It's a day for all the family," say event chairpersons Danny Johnson and Faith Koger, "and will be something the entire community can enjoy."

The day is sponsored by the Hancock County Republican Party, and very special guests will be Mississippi's two senators, Thad Cochran and Trent Lott.

Cochran and Lott will be speaking along with other distinguished Mississippi visitors, local candidates and a "surprise mystery

guest."

Marine Life Oceanarium of Gulfport is providing an outstanding exhibit of marine and coastal wildlife with "give-aways" for kids and adults. In addition, the Sea Wolves mascot and several Sea Wolves players will sign autographs with "give-aways" for children and adults. Among others attending, Jonathan Alcox's Republican Market from Florida features unique patriotic attire and memorabilia.

A rare guitar from one vendor will be raffled, and USA Today's best-selling romance novelist, author Hailey North, will be signing and selling her newest book, *Tangled Up In Love*.

The day begins at 9:30 a.m. with the Misfits Car Club's large antique car show as well as an extensive top-quality craft show.

Commercial vendors and displays of special interest will be on hand as well.

Featured music begins at 11 a.m. with the combined church choirs of Diamondhead presenting a program of patriotic and spiritual songs and continues throughout the day with performances by the popular bands Country Sounds, The Silver City Revue Show Band, The Driscoll Mountain Band, Bay High's Jazz Band, The "Jam" Band, gospel artists, other bands and guest musicians.

All your favorite foods will be available, including the famous Republican

Barbecued Chicken with full course dinner by Chef Tommy Kidd and Susan Kidd Blache.

Tickets for the dinner are \$7. Purchase of dinner tickets offer an opportunity to win one of the many "door prizes" and are on sale now.

Other food booths will be pizza from Domino's, hamburgers, hot dogs and Cajun food featuring Jambalaya and Alligator on a Stick.

Fun activities for children will be plentiful, so parents can shop the specialty booths and enjoy a relaxing time under the Depot's oaks. Entry to the day is free. Grounds close at 6 p.m.

For more information, call 467-4575, 547-8237 or 255-9884.

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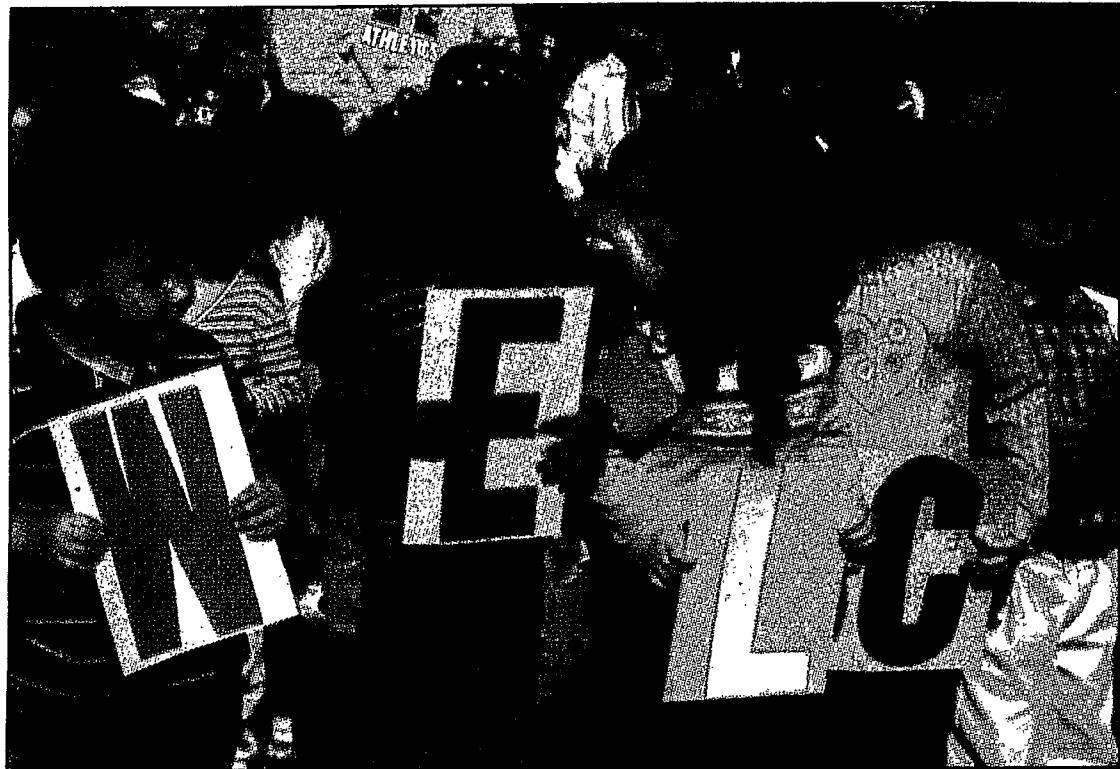
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Head Start



Approximately 172 children help celebrate Bay Waveland Head Start's 35th anniversary Wednesday morning. The 3 to 4-year-olds recited the Pledge of Allegiance, sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and belted out a head start cheer.

Lakeshore Youth Athletic Club basketball registration

Lakeshore Youth Athletic Club's basketball registration for ages 5-11 will be Tuesday, Oct. 22 and Thursday, Oct. 24, 5:30-7 p.m. at the football field.

Anyone interested in coaching may also apply.

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Diamondhead fire department gets \$20,000 grant from FEMA

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

The Diamondhead Fire Department was one of several fire departments in Mississippi to receive federal funding totaling almost \$500,000 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The funding was part of FEMA's seventh round of awards under the Assistance to Firefighter Grant Program.

Under this program, the Diamondhead department received \$20,160 to purchase a cascade system.

Fire Chief Dennis Westbrook said the system was a type of air compressor that fills air bottles used in air packs for firefighters in

smoke filled or hazardous areas.

"We're tickled to death," Westbrook said. "This was the first time we received a grant, and it will help provide safety for our firefighters."

Westbrook said the department has been without a cascade system for at least four years. He said the Hancock County Firemen's Association purchased a system several years ago for the Diamondhead Fire Department, but it wore out after several years of use.

Diamondhead's award was part of almost \$30 million being awarded nationwide, impacting 487 fire departments.

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Westbrook's department, with 14 firefighters with additional volunteers, had been filling its bottles in Bay St. Louis while other departments in his area used Bay St. Louis and NASA to fill bottles.

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Cruisin' -- bigger, better

Lagasse said Bay St. Louis was rumored to be the favorite site among cruisers. He credited the community's hospitality for this achievement.

"The word is getting around that Bay St. Louis is the place to be (during Cruisin')," he said.

Lagasse wanted to thank the Bay St. Louis and Waveland police departments, the sheriff's office and city employees for their involvement in Cruisin' and for their help in making the city a favorite among cruisers.

He also appreciated the residents for their patience.

"I'm proud that the downtown area could host such a large event," he said. "The downtown merchants did a great job of taking care of the cruisers."

And, it was these merchants who sang the praises of Cruisin' the Coast.

For Pye Parson and Dena Koenig, Cruisin' was "quite the experience" for the new business owners on

the block.

Parson, who opened Sol Garden a month ago, said Cruisin' brought in much-needed customers.

"We needed the business after (Isidore and Lili)," she said. "It was a definite boost to the economy."

Parson said she kept her doors open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., allowing a constant flow of people to circulate through her shop.

She said she plans to have more small items and cruising-related items next year.

Koenig also began making plans for next year's event.

As the owner of six-week old Temptations, she plans to offer memorabilia and other items that stir up interest for cruisers.

"The business was amazing," she said. "It was nothing like I had been told or even imagined. From the time I switched over the 'open' sign, I had a surge of traffic all day long."

Cruisin' was just as

appreciated by veteran business owners as the new ones.

Micky Evans, who recently relocated The Purple Snapper from 209 1/2 Main St. to 11A Main Street, said the traffic through her store tripled this year.

"I was so busy I didn't have time to go out and look at the cars," Evans said. "I had to look at them through the window."

The steady business, however, was more than welcome.

"We (business owners) all lost several days of business due to the storms," she said. "Cruisin' helped me get back on my feet and then some."

Ann Kearney, who works at both Bay Gourmet and Etc. Etc., was also no stranger to Cruisin' the Coast.

"Most of the merchants I know look forward to and respect the business of the cruisers," she said. "Cruisin' always brings good business."

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Kearney said the stores try to stock the items that cruisers like.

"We have established a rapport with the seasoned cruisers," she said. "We've gotten to know some of the things they like to have."

The Firedog Saloon also catered to the classic car enthusiasts.

Greg Iberson, a co-owner, said the staff showed up a bit earlier for work in order to accommodate the cruisers. The Firedog also offered a variety of special drinks, including Peppermint Patty, Stoplight Shot, Cream Soda, Dreamsicle, Grand-Am, 57 Chevy and Golden Cadillac.

"We had special 50s music in the juke box and grilled hamburgers and hot dogs outside," Iberson said.

As far as the traffic flow, Iberson said this was the best year the Firedog has had during Cruisin' the Coast.

Litter -- Pass

lem with litter in Pass Christian," he said.

Moore addressed the city's litter problem after recently witnessing a motorist throwing trash out of his vehicle.

"We have no way to report someone littering from their car," Moore said.

While in St. Tammany Parish in Louisiana, Moore said he saw signs posted urging witnesses to report people who litter to the justice of the peace.

The board authorized the city attorney to draft an ordinance allowing witnesses to call in the license plate numbers of violators to the police department. The witness would then be asked to sign an affidavit and testify against the accused.

Moore claimed that many of the main streets in the city were subject to littering, including North Street.

The Interact Club at Pass High adopted about a half mile of North Street and

picks up litter once a month. Dr. Louis Hall, one of the club's sponsors, said once the littered has been picked up, there was always more litter afterwards.

"Some days we pick up five bags (of trash), sometimes we pick up twice that," Hall said. "The least (amount of trash picked up) in the last year was about five or six bags (in a month)."

In other business, the board approved the follow-

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ing agenda items:

- Authorized \$80,755 liability insurance premium payment to Mississippi Municipal Liability Plan before Nov. 15

- Authorized \$100,763 worker's compensation insurance payment to Sawyer Insurance Agency for the Mississippi Municipal Service Company; \$7,200 of the payment was for safety and loss control services; \$93,563 was the actual premium.

Train

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about half-way between Nicholson and Coleman avenues on Sunday, Oct. 6. The train was westbound, heading toward New Orleans. More than 900 feet of rail were damaged, and one car ended up in Central Ave. along with dirt and debris. A power pole was also knocked over, cutting electricity to several homes in the area.

At first, officials were unsure whether the overturned rail cars contained any hazardous materials and were concerned there may be a fire or explosion, since fallen power lines were still sparking nearby. Officials from both the Waveland police and fire departments were on the scene into the early morning hours, making sure there were no hazards and that traffic was safely routed around the accident.

Karen Okie, a member of CSX's Jacksonville, Fla.-based corporate communications team said Tuesday that it could still be a few days before the cause of the

\$20M law project to benefit Coast

THE SEA COAST ECHO

What grew out of a brainstorming session that included Harrison County Sheriff George Payne and Dr. Tom Payne, a criminal justice professor at the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast, has now become a \$20 million law enforcement project for Mississippi's three coastal counties.

The project, known as the Tri-County Automated System Project, will enable law enforcement data-sharing across Harrison, Jackson and Hancock counties.

"The general concept was to somehow link together the records management systems for each of the 13 local law enforcement agencies (three sheriff and 10 police) in Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties -- in essence, to create one large, shared database," said Dr. Julian Allen, a major with the Harrison County Sheriff's Department, who is the ASP director and principle investigator.

Allen also is the executive director for public safety technology and training programs for both USMGC and the Harrison County Sheriff's Department.

"Once the data is available for sharing, then it needs to be put at the law enforcement officers' fingertips," said Allen. "To accomplish this, a mobile data transmission system will be developed, allowing officers on the street the ability to access those records."

But, officers aren't the only ones who will benefit.

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posal, it will also provide a rich database of crime information as a research pool for USMGC students in the criminal justice and forensic science programs," said Tom Payne, who is George Payne's brother.

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Quotesby Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher EmeritusCruisin' 2002
makes history

Cruisin' the Coast 2002 is now history and made history by the number of entrants.

There were vintage vehicles throughout the county, and everyone seemed to have had a great time.

On Sunday morning I thought I would see Beach Boulevard and Main Street trashed with litter.

Not so, because of the efforts of Jimmy Loiacano and his crews. I understand they worked very late Saturday night collecting litter in the area.

As a matter of a fact, they worked throughout the Cruisin' event making sure trash cans were not over flowing and collecting litter whenever it was on the ground.

Jimmy and his city crew really need to be complimented on a job well done.

Bay Police Chief Frank McNeil and his department members had a horrendous task in keeping traffic moving and establishing more parking spaces for Cruisin' visitors.

Assistance was also given by Waveland Police Chief Jimmy Varnell and his officers, as Bay St. Louis probably had the most folks ever in town on Saturday.

Bay St. Louis firefighters were on hand for emergencies throughout the celebration.

Tourism Development director Beth Carriere and their many volunteers, as well as all other volunteers, need to be commended. And those who helped in registration and traffic flow need to be recognized.

The success of Cruisin' in

Bay St. Louis was only through the efforts of so many folks working together.

It just goes to show how working together things can be accomplished.

Hats off to each and every one of you who helped in any way.

I am now looking forward to Cruisin' the Coast 2003.

Do not forget the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours this evening from 5 to 7.

Charles B. (Chuck) Benvenutti, C.P.A., P.A., is the sponsor and the event will be held at the Palm House Bed & Breakfast, 217 Union Street, Bay St. Louis.

Parking space will also be available on the Depot grounds.

Good snacks and refreshments are on tap for the After Hours. Chamber members and guests are invited.

There will be several door prizes, so bring along a couple of business cards.

I hope to see you at the After Hours.

It is hard to realize this will mark the 24th annual Republican Cookout in Bay St. Louis.

This year's location will be the Bay St. Louis Depot, and festivities will be from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Dr. and Mrs. Andy Martinich's residence had been the anchor location, but the event has just outgrown that location.

In addition to the barbecue there will be a music fest, antique car show, children's activities, craft ven-

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Political bamboozling of seniors by Republican Chip Pickering

Since I'm a member of the senior citizen generation myself, I quickly recognize it when any politician attempts to bamboozle seniors about his stance on preserving Social Security and installing an affordable prescription drug benefit in the Medicare program.

Lately in the 3rd District Congressional race we've been seeing a classic case of political bamboozling of seniors by Republican Chip

Eyes on
Mississippi

By Bill Minor

House members on May 24, 2001 who signed a letter backing a newly-coined term for privatization called "personal retirement accounts."

In another instance, Pickering, answering a 2000 survey of Congressional candidates by the ultra-conservative Cato Institute, was recorded as FAVORING the use of Social Security taxes in privately invested accounts.

So what is our young Mr. Pickering doing? He's blanting TV tubes throughout the district with paid spots declaring, "let me be perfectly clear - I oppose privatizing Social Security, and anyone who tells you differently is simply not telling the truth."

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The 39-year-old GOP standard bearer is spending bundles of money on TV and mailouts palming himself off as the "real" friend of seniors rather than his Democratic foe, Ronnie Shows.

Trouble is, there are two recorded instances where Pickering, before having to face-off with Shows, signed on to the Bush Administration scheme of privatization of Social Security - you know, invest-

ing part of our retirement money in the stock market.

But now that the stock market and the economy have gone South and corporate book-cooking scandals crop up almost daily, being caught backing the Social Security "privatization" idea is anathema.

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State's business continues

There's no question the Senate has become a partisan pit hindering a lot of needed national legislation, but the work of providing Mississippians with a better future through enhanced education, improved transportation and more jobs continues.

Recently Mississippi received some good news that - with all the concern about everything from terrorists to tort reform - may have been somewhat unnoticed by the press, but not unappreciated by people in our state.

On the education front, funding for our state's universities continues to increase dramatically. The most recent example is a \$2 million funding package for the University of Southern Mississippi.

USM's new National Center for Excellence in Economic Development will help train professional economic developers, whose sole mission is to bring jobs to local communities.



From the
Senate
By U.S. Sen.
Trent Lott

an outstanding economic development curriculum, this will take USM's current economic development graduate program a step further, helping USM to produce even more well-trained economic developers, many of whom will go to work in Mississippi helping to lure new jobs.

Our junior and community colleges are impacted too. I was pleased to join Congressman Chip Pickering in announcing a \$500,000 federal funding package that will help finance a 50,000 square-foot training center at Jones Junior College.

JCJC's Advanced Technology Training Center will be located within the 504-acre technology park near Ellisville. It will compliment growing businesses, like Howard Industries, which is based there.

Howard Industries has roots in the transformer business, trucking industry and now the company is even manufacturing its own line of desktop and laptop computers. This is paving

the way for the creation of more good paying-high tech jobs in the Pine Belt.

Mississippi's secondary schools are moving forward, with the Bush administration additionally approved funding to enhance the teaching of American History in our schools - an area in which we obviously must improve. All too often students and even teachers themselves cannot name important dates in America's history or important American figures.

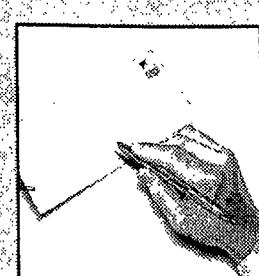
This program will nurture a better appreciation of our rich history in our children, and in the people who teach them too.

On the transportation and jobs fronts,

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Minor -- picking on Pickering

benefits -- Pickering in his heavily-financed media blitz has also been trying to confuse and bamboozle seniors into thinking privatization, and enrichment of the big pharmaceutical companies, is the way to go.

Not only is he peddling the privatized Medicare drug scheme like a snake oil salesman, he's telling seniors that Shows is against seniors because he doesn't buy the Republican-backed idea to let the pharmaceutical and private insurance companies run the show.

Sure, Shows voted against the only bill Pickering and his privatization GOP colleagues let him vote on because it contained gaps in coverage and pushed high-priced drugs, two key provisions such senior groups as AARP have warned against putting into any permanent new Medicare drug plan.

At the same time Pickering touts his own vote in favor of the privatized Medicare drug bill, he makes no mention that he voted against allowing the House to consider an alternative plan much like the Senate plan sponsored by Democrats Bob Graham of Florida and Zell Miller of Georgia which had no coverage gaps and relied more on lower-cost generic drugs.

The National Association for the Preservation of

Social Security and Medicare, a seniors' watchdog group I've belonged to for several years, recently came out with its 107th Congress scorecard on how it rated lawmakers as to their votes on seniors' issues.

Pickering got a 31 percent rating. Shows got an 85 percent rating. The NAPS&M organization is headed by former U.S. Rep. Barbara Kennelly of Connecticut, who retired from her seat after 22 years in Congress, after pushing for tougher child support legislation and the Earned Income Tax Credit, plus extended deductions for elderly.

The 55-year-old Shows since he first was elected to Congress in 1998, has made point of regularly visiting nursing homes and meeting with senior citizens to hear their concerns, long before Pickering even thought about becoming the guy that his literature says "stands up for seniors."

Pickering has so much money to spend on TV spots aimed at seniors that he's even brought in old television legend Art Linkletter to speak for him in one ad. I seriously doubt Pickering had ever heard of Linkletter, or he, Pickering.

What is bothersome about Pickering to veteran observers of the Mississippi

political system as myself is that he is too much of a lap-dog for Republican Sen. Trent Lott, who is kingpin of the state's only political machine, much as his predecessor, Dixiecrat Jim Eastland, was 40 years ago.

His widely-used resume claims he was the first Southern Baptist missionary "behind the Iron Curtain" in Budapest, Hungary in 1986-87. Having visited Hungary in 1995 with a Tulane professor who is a Balkan authority I find one big flaw in that claim: By the time Pickering would have arrived there was no "Iron Curtain" in Budapest. The freedom-loving Hungarians had long-before restored public religious worship and were well on the way to being a democracy. As best as I can see Pickering has never had to make a living in the open job market, ever since getting a patronage appointment with the Department of Agriculture in Washington in 1989.

A year and a half later Lott made him a Senate staffer and began grooming him to become his boy when Sonny Montgomery announced in 1995 he would step down from his 3rd District seat.

While good ol' Sonny was for years the best friend war veterans had in Congress, Pickering, since succeeding

to Sonny's House seat in 1997, has been AWOL as far as veterans are concerned.

Shows, however, has often been observed visiting the VA Regional Center and Hospital here in the past, even though it technically was not within his 4th District.

Pickering, who appears a likely winner-he ought to with the made-to-order GOP district he was handed by a federal panel made up of Republican appointees-evidently is so confident he is set for a long stay in Congress that he has built a \$750,000 mansion in fashionable Falls Church, VA.

Property records from the Virginia Department of Tax Administration show that as of January, 2002 his 11-room residence in Falls Church was valued at \$735,000. By now it's probably worth over a million bucks.

That's a far cry from the small dairy farm in rural Jones County owned by his father that he claims as his residence in papers filed with the Secretary of State's office.

Significantly, the HOME telephone number he listed on his candidacy papers is not a Mississippi area code number. It's for the Falls Church, VA area code, but is unlisted. What gives?

Pickering may contend he wants to keep his chil-

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dren close by him in Washington as the rationale for building a huge, very expensive, residence in a Washington suburb.

However, many other House members who face the same problem see fit to keep their real home in the district they represent, and hustle back and forth every weekend.

I recall when 5th District U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor of Bay St. Louis first went up to Congress in 1988. He towed his small cabin sailboat up to Washington, docked it in the Potomac and slept aboard it every night until he would fly back home to be with his wife and three children. Taylor's boat was his frugal home away from home for several years until finally he shared a small apartment with several colleagues.

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The barbecue chicken dinners are for a donation of \$7 each with serving beginning at 1 p.m.

Mississippi's United States Senators Thad Cochran and Trent Lott are scheduled speakers along with many others.

The cookout is sponsored by the Hancock County Republican Party.

The Hawks of Hancock High will journey to Hattiesburg Friday in high school football competition.

The Hawks won a great game last Friday in defeating Meridian in an away game 21-11. The Hawks are now 4-3 for the season.

Bay High's Tigers will be looking for their first victory of the season Friday night when they play host to a powerful D'Iberville. The rebuilding Tigers could use a win to boost team spirit.

The Rock-a-chaws of St. Stanislaus are 2-5 for the season and will play host to across the Bay rival Pass Christian Friday. D'Iberville was just too good

for the Rocks last week.

The Pirates of Pass Christian also dropped their game last week losing to

East Central. It should be a good game between the Pirates and Rock-a-chaws.

Remember, kick-off time

is 7:30 p.m. Support your favorite high school football team by being in the stands cheering them onto victory.

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Ladner-Montiforte

Harry and Nancy Ladner of Pass Christian announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Kiley Denise Ladner, to Christopher Dean Montiforte of Biloxi, son of Joseph and Diane Montiforte.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Pass Christian High School and is currently enrolled at the University of Southern Mississippi majoring in education.

She is employed with Beau Rivage Casino in Biloxi.

Her grandparents are Willie Harmon of Kiln and the late Dorothy Harmon and Bidwell and Edna Ladner, Pass Christian.

The prospective groom is a 1996 Biloxi High School graduate and a 2001 graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi with a BS degree in construction engineering.

His grandparents are the late Sammie and Rosie Yow, Mayport, Fla., and the late Sammy Montiforte and Elaine



Kiley Ladner and Christopher Montiforte

Montiforte, Biloxi.

He is employed with Fletcher Construction in Pascagoula.

The wedding will take place Oct. 19, 2002 at 2

p.m. in Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

A reception will follow at West Harrison Civic Center in Pass Christian.

Three Diamondhead child care providers complete school readiness skills training

Three staff members from Diamondhead Community Church Little School in Diamondhead have successfully completed a school readiness skills training session conducted by the Jackson-based Forum on Children and Families. Participating were Marta Gibson, Helen Moore and Carol Prats.

The training, "Get Ready," is available through the Director's Credential training program offered by the forum.

Enrollment is open to licensed child care center directors that have earned the Director's Credential and the staff of their centers.

"I continue to be impressed with the commitment our licensed child care centers are making to increase the learning opportunities for young children," said Jane Boykin, president of the Forum on Children and Families.

For more information about the Director's Credential training program, contact the Forum on Children and Families in Jackson.

Funding for the training is provided by a Child Care Development Fund, administered by the Office for Children and Youth, Mississippi Department of Human Services.

Bay St. Louis attorney memorialized by MS Bar

The Mississippi Bar's annual memorial service honoring deceased attorneys and judges was held Oct. 15 in Jackson in the Old Supreme Court Chambers of the State Capitol before the Mississippi Supreme Court.

The service began at 2 p.m. and was followed by a reception.

Memorialized from Bay St. Louis was Napoleon L. Cassibry, II. Chief Justice Edwin

Lloyd Pittman presided over the program. Bar President Donald C. Doman, Jr. of Biloxi presented the eulogy.

Jackson attorney John A. Crawford, Sr., chair of the Mississippi Bar Memorial Committee, presented a resolution memorializing the deceased members of the Bar since 2001.

Family and friends of those being memorialized attended the memorial service.

Public hearing scheduled for regulations for taking crabs

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) will hold a public hearing Monday, Oct. 21 at 6 p.m. in the auditorium of the Bolton State Office Building at 1141 Bayview Ave., Biloxi.

Public comments will be received on the proposed changes to Ordinance 4.008 (1), an ordinance to establish regulations for the taking of crabs.

Proposed changes include setting protocol for a closed season for crabbing to remove derelict traps (state statute law), an option to use a common float to mark lost traps, require non-floating or weighted float lines requirement and other changes needed to be consistent with state statute law.

Written comments on the proposed change will be received at the Department of Marine Resources, 1141 Bayview Ave., Suite 101, Biloxi, MS 39530 until October 23 at 5 p.m.

A copy of these proposed changes may be obtained by contacting the DMR Shrimp and Crab Bureau at (228) 374-5000.

Visit the DMR online at www.dmr.state.ms.us.

D'head Golf Tournament, Fashion Show

By Hilda L. Bourg

On Sunday, Nov. 3, the Krewe of Diamondhead will host a nine-hole golf scramble with the profits going towards the refurbishing of the Mardi Gras Royalty Float.

The Texas-style scramble will start at noon at the Diamondhead Golf Course. The cost is \$20 per person. There is an additional cost of \$14 for a golf cart for persons not paying the yearly golf fee.

This fee is payable at the Pro Shop prior to tee-off. For information regarding the golf tournament, call Ray Sheehy at 255-6922.

There will be a putting contest for non-golfers or for those not wishing to participate in the golf tournament. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

An old-time golf fashion show will take place around the putting green. Prizes will be awarded for the most original and for the most outrageous outfit.

Some of the prizes are an all-day fishing trip for three, an evening cruise for 10 on a party barge, and an airplane ride to view Diamondhead and the surrounding area.

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Schwartz, Griffin featured speakers at NCTM's regional conference in Biloxi

Kelly Schwartz of East Hancock Elementary and Ashley Griffin of North Bay Elementary presented "Santa's Workshop" at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) Southern Regional Conference in Biloxi, from Oct. 3-5.

The Mississippi Council of Teachers of Mathematics (MCTM), one of more than 250 NCTM Affiliates throughout the United States and Canada, hosted the conference.

Attendees of the three-day conference discussed the future of mathematics education. Educators were challenged to think about old problems in new ways through sessions and workshops.

Presentations focused on the changing needs of students and teachers, recent innovations in technology, and the latest research findings in education.

Participants shared classroom experiences and teaching techniques, working with colleagues from around the region.

"The regional conferences provide seasoned teachers with an opportunity to become reinvigorated and grow professionally while preparing new teachers to put NCTM's standards into action," said NCTM President Johnny Lott.

NCTM's *Principles and Standards for School Mathematics* provides a comprehensive and coherent set of goals for stimulating and challenging students to learn more, and more advanced, mathematics.

NCTM holds three to four regional conferences each year throughout the United States and Canada. Each conference features sessions presented by nationally renowned speakers, as well as workshops, lectures, panel discussions, and exhibits of the latest mathematics education materials and innovations.

"The task of teaching has changed. We no longer simply transmit information. This new situation requires new expectations, new tools, and new ways of teaching and learning mathematics," said NCTM Executive Director Jim Rubillo.

"The regional conferences provide an opportunity for both new and seasoned teachers to grow professionally, reflect on the art of teaching, and gain ideas to use in their classrooms."

Founded in 1920, the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics is a nonprofit, nonpartisan education association with nearly 100,000 members and 250 affiliates in the United States and Canada.

It is the world's largest organization dedicated to improving the teaching and learning of mathematics from pre-kindergarten through high school to ensure the highest quality mathematics education for all students.

The Council's *Principles and Standards for School Mathematics* provides guidelines for excellence in mathematics education and issues a call for all students to engage in more challenging mathematics.

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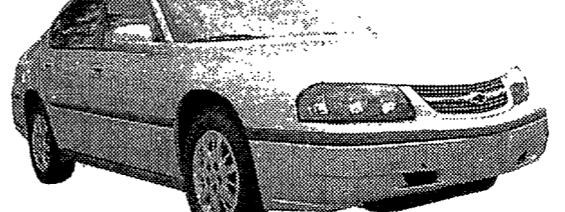
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Lutheran Women donate to Eden Program

The Lutheran Church of the Pines Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) recently presented a check for \$1,729 to Dunbar Village Nursing Home.

This money will help fund their Eden Alternative Program. This is a program designed to help ease loneliness, helplessness and boredom for the nursing home residents.

The Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) Branch 2822 matched \$800 of the funds raised by LWML plus awarded an additional \$500 towards what they considered a "worthy program." Donations from LWML and AAL totaled \$2,229.

Administrator Jill Mack plans to use this seed money to create a courtyard garden for the resi-



Cassie Breland, front left, Carole Janssen, Juanita Weary, Jill Mack, Cynthia Geroux and Fee Genin; in back, Charlotte Sterling, Liane Myers, Brenda Calcagno, Stephanie Parker and Chiquita Dorsey

dents. Residents will be able to participate in potting and nurturing their customized garden.

Involving youths and pets are another aspect of the Eden Alternative Program.

For more information, contact Jill Mack at Dunbar Village at 228-466-3099.

Women's Center for Nonviolence celebrates 25 years

Center reinforces the importance of its services for women due to October being National Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The Gulf Coast Women's Center for Nonviolence, Inc. is celebrating 25 years of service.

The center is the oldest and largest shelter of its kind within the state of Mississippi. The center's 25-year anniversary is a significant testament to the continued support and dedication of the surrounding community.

Without community support it would be impossible to offer counseling, education and safe housing to victims of domestic violence.

Teaching youths about dating violence is the center's educational focus this year.

"Educating youths is a direct way to challenge the cycle of domestic violence," said the center's executive director Jane Philo.

Instructioning students about the forms of dating violence provides them with the tools to end unhealthy relationships before developing a tragic cycle."

Hands Are Not for Hurting is a similar youth program directed by the Gulf Coast Women's Center that targets preschool and kindergarten children.

With October being National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Gulf Coast

Women's Center for Nonviolence reinforces the importance of its services.

Without the center's services, women would not have the necessary resources to safely leave an abusive partner.

According to Barbara Hart of the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, "Women who leave their batterers are at 75 percent greater risk of severe injury or death than those who stay."

The Gulf Coast Women's Center for Nonviolence is a safe transitional place for the women who leave their abusers.

For more information on Domestic Violence Awareness Month visit www.dvam.vawnet.org.

For information, call Peggy Cuevas, 228.436.3809; for crisis information, call 800.800.1396 or 228.435.1968.

St. Paul's bingo helps benefit students with tuition assistance, offers 'Three Dollar Supper'

The winning continues with St. Paul's School Tuition Assistance Bingo, every Thursday night throughout the school year.

More than 135 people attended the opening games on Sept. 5, and school officials are thrilled with the results.

Principal Jack Clark served as a runner in those first games.

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tuition assistance, and school officials hope Thursday night bingo will raise the needed funds.

The concession counter, offering chips, candy and soft drinks, is open throughout the evening.

For the health and safety of the students who use the gymnasium during the week, no smoking is allowed indoors on bingo night.

St. Paul recently initiated the "Three Dollar Thursday Night Supper."

The menu will vary from week to week, but will feature many of the most popular items served at the St. Paul Seafood Festival. Future dinners will include red beans and rice, egg rolls and fried rice and other Southern delicacies.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the games begin promptly at 7:30. Special early bird games will start the evening, and prizes will range from \$30 to a final jackpot of \$1,000.

For more information contact St. Paul Catholic Church at (228)452-4686.

West Nile cases increase to 176, 5 new cases announced Tuesday

• Five new human cases give Mississippi a cumulative total of 176 West Nile (WN) virus cases - reported since Tuesday, Oct. 8.

• Most of the reported human cases have exhibited the more severe clinical form of West Nile virus disease - encephalitis and/or meningitis (usually with neurological symptoms); only a few experienced the milder WN fever.

• The Department of Health strongly urges people to take personal protection measures, particularly people who are at higher risk of severe illness: the elderly and anyone with a weakened immune system.

• The five new human cases reported include the following counties:

Rankin, Sunflower, Jefferson, Davis, Hinds and Madison.

• The ages of patients who have died range from 48 to 84 years. The median age of the deceased is 67.

• Mississippi's attack rate is 6.16 per 100,000. The median age is 54 with a range of 2 to 97 years of age; 56 percent are male and 44 percent female.

• Hinds County continues to report the largest number of human cases, 46.

• Pike County maintains a case rate of 23.1 per 100,000, one of the highest rates in Mississippi. Hinds County's case rate is 18.4 per 100,000. Scott County follows closely behind with a case rate of 17.7 per 100,000.

There will be a gospel concert at Bayside Baptist Church in Bay St. Louis Saturday, Oct. 19, at 7 p.m. featuring The Mannings, a gospel group from Sandhill, Miss.

Admission is free, but a love offering will be taken. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Bayside Baptist Church is located in the Bayside Park subdivision of Hancock County, (7547 Hancock Drive) 2 miles west of Waveland off Highway 90. The church is located on Hancock Drive between Carroll and Chickasaw streets.

The pastor is Brother Leslie Gaines.

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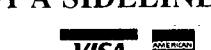
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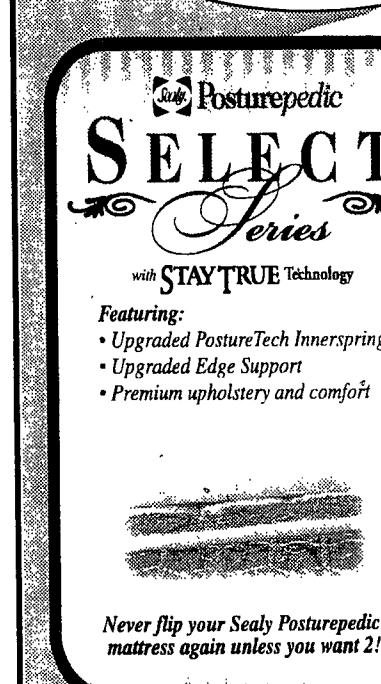
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East Hancock Elementary receives Scottish Rite Dyslexia donations

East Hancock Elementary is the recipient of two educational donations connected with the Scottish Rite Dyslexia Program.

Last fall, EHE counselor Heather Dedeaux learned of a program that would benefit students with dyslexia.

Since 17 percent of all people have this learning disorder, Dedeaux believed that the Scottish Rite Dyslexia Program would help the identified students at East Hancock.

Dedeaux and teachers on the Student Intervention Team observed a facilitator of the program in Picayune. Then Dedeaux, EHE's speech teacher, Kathryn Larsen and Pat Ladner attended a conference in Jackson that addressed dyslexia identification in students and implementation of the Scottish Rite Dyslexia Program for those students.

Ladner became the program's key facilitator at EHE and with the help of parents began a pilot program last March.

By the beginning of this school year groups of students were placed with trained teachers. The teachers use interactive video tapes and instructional workbooks that were created by Dr. Luke Waites at the Scottish Rite Children's Hospital in Dallas, Texas.

The students in grades K-5 will learn from the program for two years. Older students have a one-year



Photo by Lydia K. Jelinski
Roy Sinclair, left, and Clarence LeVelle, dyslexia coordinators from the Gulfport Scottish Rite Bodies, present a check donation to East Hancock Elementary counselor Heather Dedeaux.

program designed for them.

The resources for the program's instructional materials were initially funded by East Hancock Elementary. Since the beginning of the school term, more students have been identified but are unable to participate because of a lack of funds.

Howard Kearce, the state coordinator for the MS Scottish Rite Mason's

Dyslexia Program, submitted a donation to EHE to help fund more workbooks.

And this past Friday, Roy Sinclair and Clarence LeVelle, local coordinators for the Scottish Rite Program, toured East Hancock Elementary, met with students and teachers involved in the program, and then awarded a check in the amount of \$500 to

Ms. Dedeaux to be used for instructional materials.

East Hancock Elementary is the only school in the county to implement the Scottish Rite Dyslexia Program.

For more information about this program, or to make a donation for the continuation of the program, contact Heather Dedeaux at East Hancock Elementary.

Troopers chase down student's runaway car

Jackson, Miss. (AP) — Using a move usually reserved for car chases, Mississippi troopers stopped a runaway vehicle Monday that took its helpless owner and police on a wild ride from New Orleans to Pearl River County.

Virginia Isfhani, 20, was driving to Slidell, La., from the University of New Orleans Monday afternoon when her car's accelerator became stuck, police said. She could not slow down and at 70 mph, her 1997 Toyota was moving too fast to exit Interstate 10.

Isfhani called police from her mobile phone as she approached Lake Pontchartrain, said Mississippi Highway Patrol Staff Sgt. Joseph Gazzo.

Police told her to go north on Interstate 59, as continuing on Interstate 10 would take her into construction and traffic backups.

Louisiana State Police escorted Isfhani until the state line, where Mississippi troopers caught up with her and surrounded her car for the next 39 miles, Gazzo said.

With one trooper positioning his vehicle in front of Isfhani's, one next to her

and one behind her, the troopers boxed her in. They spoke with her over their external speaker systems, giving her instructions.

"They tried a number of things and the vehicle wouldn't stop," Gazzo said. "It was going to take more than telling her what to do."

The troopers executed a "rolling roadblock," a technique used in car chases to slow a suspect's vehicle, Gazzo said. The troopers tightened their box around Isfhani's car and stepped on the brakes. With Isfhani's bumper touching the lead trooper's car, her vehicle slowed and stopped at Interstate 59 mile marker 41.

Nobody was injured and none of the vehicles were damaged, Gazzo said.

To his knowledge, nobody on the Mississippi Highway Patrol has had to stop a runaway car before.

"The closest thing in the training to that is chasing cars," Gazzo said.

It was not immediately known what caused the accelerator to stick. The car was towed back to Louisiana Monday afternoon, Gazzo said.

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Paintings by Joan Howard on display at Kiln Library

The colorful acrylic and watercolors of Joan Howard are now on display at the Kiln Public Library. The display will run through the month of October.

The collection is for all ages, especially the young at heart. Howard's first art class was given to her by her Italian grandfather — and artist in his own right.

She also attended the New Orleans Museum of Art and Delgado Community College.

Howard also wrote a reference book on the Kiln, *Many Faces of Change*, which is available at all of the Hancock County Library System's branches. She and her husband, Bob, are residents of Kiln.

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Wenda gave out the perfect attendance awards and the Top Loser of the Month Award for September.

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Historian -- Ambrose remembered

the Bulge.

"His great gift was that he refused to allow people to think history was boring," said Douglas Brinkley, a former student and collaborator. "He was always grabbing people by their lapels and saying, 'Listen to this. Isn't this fascinating?'"

Only days after the release of his latest book and with another book nearing publication, Ambrose died Sunday after a six-month battle with lung cancer. He was 66.

For much of his career, Ambrose was a little-known history professor. He burst onto the best-sellers list less than a decade ago with his 1994 book "D-Day June 6, 1944: The Climactic Battle of World War II."

Based in large part on interviews with veterans about their combat experiences, the book recounted the chaotic, bloody beach invasions of Normandy from the American soldier's perspective.

"He was saying, 'There's all this obsession with high command, but the real story is these citizen soldiers who still live in every town and hamlet in the United States,'" said Brinkley, who succeeded Ambrose as director of the University of New Orleans' Eisenhower Center.

With unadorned but lively prose, Ambrose continued to captivate readers as he churned out history books at an industrial pace, publishing more than 30, including a half-dozen more best sellers such as "Citizen Soldiers" and "The Wild Blue."

He "combined high standards of scholarship with the capacity to make history come alive for a lay audience," Pulitzer Prize-win-

ning historian Arthur Schlesinger said.

While best known for his World War II books and as the founder of the National D-Day Museum in New Orleans, Ambrose wrote about numerous aspects of American history. Other books addressed former Presidents Eisenhower and Nixon, the Transcontinental Railroad and the Lewis and Clark expeditions of the American West.

His last book, "To America: Personal Reflections of an Historian," which Ambrose called his love song to his country, is set for release Nov. 19. He didn't begin writing it until after his cancer diagnosis in April.

At the National D-Day Museum, which Ambrose founded, his portrait was placed near the entrance and a sign noted his death. Guests were invited to write messages to the Ambrose family on museum post-cards.

"He had a knack in his writing for making you feel like he was sitting right there talking to you," said Tom Gordon, a P-38 reconnaissance pilot in World War II, who was visiting from St. Louis.

Ambrose, who called himself a hero worshipper, said in a recent interview that his focus on World War II developed from working on his Eisenhower biography and his memory of soldiers returning home from World War II when he was 10 years old.

"I thought the returning veterans were giants who had saved the world from barbarism. I still think so," he said.

For the most part, war veterans were eager to help Ambrose and entrusted

artifacts they saved from World War II to the D-Day Museum. The old soldiers seemed to relate well to the author, a plain-speaking man who got to the point and wasn't afraid to mix in a few curse words for emphasis.

By the time he became ill, Ambrose's snowballing success had grown into a dynamic family industry that ranged from top-dollar lectures to movie consulting and even historical tours run by one of his sons.

Ambrose's film work included consulting roles in Steven Spielberg's "Saving Private Ryan," and on the World War II documentary, "Price for Peace," also directed by Spielberg. Ambrose's best-selling book "Band of Brothers" was made into a cable miniseries.

Ambrose was born Jan. 10, 1936, a doctor's son from Whitewater, Wis.

He started in pre-medical studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, but then he took a history class with professor William Hesseltine and quickly switched his major. He played guard and linebacker on the Badgers football team.

Ambrose got an undergraduate degree at Wisconsin in 1957 and returned to earn a Ph.D. in 1963.

He was for much of his career a ponytail-wearing liberal who once quit a teaching job at Kansas State University in protest over a campus visit from Richard Nixon during the bombings of Laos and Cambodia.

Ambrose spoke out against America's involvement in the Vietnam war, yet he focused his research

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on presidents and the military at a time when such topics were increasingly regarded as old fashioned and conservative.

In early 2002, Ambrose was accused of plagiarizing several passages in a handful of books. The passages lacked quotation marks, but were footnoted.

Ambrose apologized for careless editing but otherwise stood by his work.

"I always thought plagiarism meant using other people's words and ideas, pretending they were your own and profiting from it. I do not do that, have never done that and never will," he wrote in a newspaper editorial.

Hugh Ambrose, the author's son, said those wondering how they should honor his father should "take a moment to thank one of America's veterans."

In addition to his son, Stephen Ambrose is survived by his wife, Moira, brothers Harry and Bill, and children Andy, Barry, Grace and Stephenie.

Lott -- Mississippi

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Mississippi's largest private employer, Northrop Grumman Ingalls Ship Systems, just won a \$2 billion contract to build four destroyers for the U.S. Navy.

With this contract, Northrop's business base will remain solid through 2010, which is very good news for shipyard workers in South Mississippi.

Another major Mississippi defense contractor, Raytheon Aerospace, of Madison, just won a \$69 million contract to provide aircraft maintenance at various U.S. military bases worldwide, again sustaining good jobs in our state.

With regard to transportation, the Biloxi-Gulfport airport just got \$1.7 million in federal funds to construct an additional taxiway - part of a plan to help further separate the

airport's military operations from civilian service, promoting safety and efficiency.

Furthermore, East Mississippians received long-awaited news this week with an announcement by Congressman Pickering that Meridian's new industrial park - on which much of this region's economic future hinges - is approved to receive \$1.5 million in federal funding to provide part of the essential park infrastructure needed to attract new jobs.

This is just some of the good news we have received

amidst all the unnerving, unsettled matters in Washington. Improving education, transportation and job opportunities for Mississippi is an agenda that always moves forward in my office, regardless of a stalled national agenda on the Senate floor.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions or comments about this column. Write to: U.S. Senator Trent Lott, 487 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 (Attn.: Press Office)

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BYRON BRELAND

Byron "Biggie" Breland, 78, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, Oct. 12, 2002, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Breland was a native of McClain and was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Byrd Breland of Pass Christian; three sons, Greg Breland of Gulfport, Lonnie Breland of Tennessee and Marty Breland of Mississippi; a brother, M.G. Breland of McClain; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday at Riemann Funeral Home, 25th Avenue in Gulfport. A graveside service was conducted Tuesday at Buffalo Cemetery, McClain.

L. CROUCHET JR.

Leonard Joseph "L.J." Crouch Jr., 74, of Bay St. Louis, died Thursday, Oct. 10, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Crouch was retired from the U.S. Navy. He was a native of New Orleans and a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 15 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard J. Crouch Sr. and Jennie Newby Crouch; a sister, Jennie Lee Crouch; and an infant son, John Paul Crouch.

Survivors include a son, Glenn J. Crouch of Metairie, La.; a daughter, Elaine Windham of Belle Chasse, La.; two sisters, Rosalie Bossier of Metairie, La., and Linda Pomet of New Orleans; companion, Shirley Vallery of Bay St. Louis; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

A private service will be held at a later date.

The family prefers that memorials be made to Gulfport Memorial Hospice.

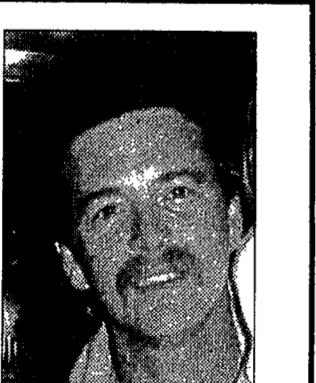
Riemann Memorial Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

JOHN FLANNERY JR.

John Walter Flannery Jr., 70, of Bay St. Louis, died Sunday, Oct. 13, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Flannery was a native of Los Angeles and was a resident of Bay St. Louis. He was of the Lutheran faith and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. He retired from the Lykes Brothers Shipping Company.

He was preceded in death



In Memory of
Bruce Wayne Griffin
Oct. 15, 1952 - May 12, 2002
Happy Birthday

I Dreamed of You Last Night
I asked God where you were.
Through a mist rising in the
morning I saw lush knee-
high green grass.
Scattered throughout were
beautiful young flowers in
soft spring colors.

The mist rose higher.
I saw a cave on the
mountain side.
Then I saw you in the mist
beside the cave very distant
at first and then the mist
was gone.
There you were at peace.

Loved, missed and
remembered by
your sister Linda & nieces

by his wife, Elizabeth Flannery; and his parents, John Walter and Marjorie Lehder Flannery Sr.

Survivors include a sister, Patricia Howell of Melbourne, Fla.

Graveside services were conducted Wednesday at Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis, directed by Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

FRANCES GARDNER

Frances S. Gardner, 60, of Pearlington, died October 10, 2002, in New Orleans.

Mrs. Gardner was a native of Mobile, Ala. and a resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast for over 30 years.

She was a graduate of Bishop Toolen High School in Mobile in 1960. She worked many years at the Village Florist and Green Thumb Nursery in Gulfport. She volunteered at Hancock Medical Center.

Her parents, James D. and Frances Buckhaults Stauter, a son, Rusty Gardner, and a brother, Billy Stauter, preceded her in death.

Survivors include her husband, Tony Gardner of Pearlington; a son, Randy Gardner of Mobile; a daughter, Tracy Gardner Aaron of Dallas, Texas; a step-daughter, Kris Gardner of Diamondhead; and a sister, Jo Anne Stauter Russell of Mobile.

Visitation was Monday at Riemann Memorial Funeral Home, Highway 49 North. Funeral services followed in the funeral home chapel.

Burial was in Gulf Pines Memorial Gardens and Mausoleum in Long Beach.

The family prefers memorials be made to the Humane Society of South Mississippi, 137 Washington Avenue, Gulfport, MS 39503.

MILDRED HERRING

Mildred Ann Herring, 70, of Lyman, died Monday, October 14, 2002, at her home in Lyman, Miss.

She was born January 13, 1932, in Alexandria, La. She was graduated from Orange Grove High School and was a resident of the Orange Grove/Lyman area for 60 years where she was active in the community.

She was charter member of the Orange Grove Carnival Association, having served as president, board member and historian. She was instrumental in organizing the annual Orange Grove Carnival parades and participated as a member of the court.

She served as president of the Coast Nobles Shrine Club Ladies Auxiliary and was past member of the Eastern Star. She was also a member of the Krewe of Gemini participating as a member of the court on several occasions.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Sanders; a sister, Roberta Havens; two brothers, Kenneth Sanders and Clyde Sanders; and a nephew, Cleve Sanders.

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funeral home chapel, with burial in Jackson County Memorial Park.

BRO. CANISIUS SCHELL

Brother Canisius Schell, SC, 91, New Orleans, the oldest member of New Orleans Province of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, died Monday, October 14, 2002 in New Orleans, Louisiana, following an extended illness. A resident of Bay St. Louis for 40 years, Br. Canisius taught and coached tennis at St. Stanislaus. He has been seriously infirm for the past five years. After a 10 day-stay in Hancock Medical Center, he was discharged on September 6 to Our Lady of Wisdom Healthcare Center in New Orleans for skilled nursing care.

Born Regis Martin Schell in Pittsburgh, Pa., Brother Canisius was the son of William Joseph Schell and his wife Stella Kessler. He grew up in several New Jersey cities, and in 1924 he joined the Brothers of the Sacred Heart at Metuchen, N.J., entering from Irvington, N.J. He pronounced his first religious vows as Brother Canisius in 1926 at Metuchen and his final vows in 1932 at Bay St. Louis.

In 1927, Brother Canisius began his teaching career at St. Rose of Lima in Brooklyn, where he taught elementary school. During the next 38 years, he taught

in most of the Brother's high schools in the North and South as well as in Canada. Since the early 1950s, Brother Canisius has been sponsoring various projects for the disadvantaged, getting his students involved in dances and skating parties with deaf and blind children, visiting patients with Hansen's Disease and the elderly in nursing homes, working at day-care centers, and bringing meals to shut-ins.

In 1965, he returned to St. Stanislaus in Bay St. Louis where he had taught earlier for three years. Brother Canisius taught reading and helped set up the school's first reading laboratory in the 1970s. In 1976, after retiring from the classroom, he began Project Do in Bay St. Louis.

For the next 20 years, while "retired," Brother Canisius worked with hundreds of student volunteers from St. Stanislaus in Project Do, getting them involved in social work in the Bay St. Louis area. Students helped out tutoring, visiting nursing homes, and working with the handicapped.

Very active in the local community, Brother Canisius also founded the Grandpas, a group of elderly men who volunteered their time to work with preschool children. He also initiated Project Lizzie in 1988, involving 47 students at Our Lady Academy and St. Stanislaus in working with a 4-year-old autistic girl.

In June 1988, Br. Canisius was the first Brother of the Sacred Heart to do volunteer work among the Navajo Indians in Klagetoh, Arizona.

Brother Canisius has no immediate family, being predeceased by his parents; a sister, Sr. Agelia Schell; and three brothers, William, Paul and Eugene

Schell.

He is survived by a sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Schell, widow of Eugene; several cousins, nieces and nephews, most of them living in New Jersey. Wake services were conducted at St. Stanislaus school chapel in Bay St. Louis Wednesday with a prayer service. Visitation is today, Oct. 17, at St. Stanislaus school chapel from 3 to 4 p.m. followed by celebration of a Mass of Christian Burial at 4 p.m. Interment will be in the Brothers' Cemetery in Bay St. Louis. All Faiths Funeral Home in New Orleans and Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis are in charge of funeral arrangements.

It is requested that donations be made in Brother Canisius's memory to the Brothers of the Sacred Heart Foundation, 4540 Elysian Fields Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70122.

VELMA TERESI

Velma Johnson Ladner Teresi, 89, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Teresi was a native of Lakeshore and a longtime resident of New Orleans before moving back to Bay St. Louis 40 years ago. She was a member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland.

She was preceded in death by sons Leroy and Milton Ladner; her parents, Nugent William and Martha Ladner Johnson; brothers William Johnson and Burton "Flip" Johnson; and a sister, Stella Semedel.

Survivors include her husband, Cosmos Teresi of Bay St. Louis; a son, Stanley Ladner of Diamondhead; a daughter, Mary Ellen Ladner of Gulfport; four grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation was

Wednesday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

A procession will leave the funeral home today, Oct. 17 at 10:30 a.m. for celebration of a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland. Interment will follow in Lakeshore Cemetery.

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Ambrose

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used to serve as barracks. He taught there for 30 years, becoming the most famous and influential faculty member at the school, a colleague said yesterday.

"I remember vividly when he came to the university as a young teacher of history," said colleague Homer Hitt, himself a founding chancellor at LSUNO. "I remember him as a young professor with long hair that at times he wore braided. He walked around campus with a dog following. Often, he would wear a leather jacket."

After a couple of years, Ambrose earned his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin and soon after, began to write.

"He began to be published right away," said Hitt. "And moved to prominence quickly. Along the way, he was transformed into a conservative professor with a regular appearance."

Ambrose found widespread recognition in 1994 with his first bestseller, *D-Day June 6, 1944: The Climactic Battle of World War II*. Several more bestsellers, including *Band of Brothers*, later made into a television series, propelled Ambrose's career to the top.

He rubbed elbows with the rich and famous, but is remembered locally as a man who rode his bicycle around town, often with his sand-colored yellow Labrador retriever Pomp in tow.

"He was a regular member and came to work out as often as he could when he wasn't traveling," said J.E. Loiacano, owner of Loiacano Health Club, and whose daughter is married to Ambrose's son. "He was interested in health and came here regularly until about a month before he became very ill. He would many times ride his bike over in the mornings and bring his dog Pomp along."

"He will be missed ... not just here but all over the country," said Loiacano. "He did so much as a historian and was very much loved by family and friends. It was amazing to see how much he was loved as family and friends spoke at the service saying so many wonderful things."

Ambrose worked in his office above the garage of the Beach Blvd. home that he and his wife Moira shared. It was a place of creativity, somewhat cluttered, furnished plainly, with various memorabilia scattered throughout. He and Moira often rode their bicycles along the beach with Pomp, sometimes stopping into Da Beach House.

"There's so much I remember," said owner Colleen Read. "His coming here to lunch on a regular basis with Moira ... he was always a pleasure to see and very supportive of our efforts. When we were designing the outside of our building he came by and wrote down his name and phone number on the design plans, saying he wanted to be the first to sign up to help. We met under rather funny circumstances. We had just moved back here from Hawaii and were driving down the beach. I had a lab who was ready to breed and I saw this beautiful lab running down the beach with a couple riding on bicycles. I stopped and asked if Pomp was available to be a father. He wasn't, but we talked and afterward we would see Stephen and Moira riding by and we would all wave."

Later, Ambrose kept a date to speak at Da Beach House, though he had already learned of his illness. "It was amazing to see him in such a small town place reading from his books and talking," said Read. "He commanded respect; it was an aura about him, though he knew

BAY ST LOUIS-WAVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINED BUDGET

2002-2003

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Trust	TOTAL
Revenue						
Local	5256995	289800		1229366		6776161
Intermediate						0
State	6809236	795926				7605162
Federal		2118626				2118626
16th Section		5600				5600
Oth Financing	462554	276765				739319
Total Revenue	12528795	3486717		1229366	0	17244868
Fund Bal 7/01/02	88895	50267		87566		226728
Total	12617680	3536984		0	1316932	0
EXPENDITURES						
1000 Instructions	6668346	1640181				8308527
Support Serv						
2100 Students	567960	284149				852109

Harris announces for alderman

Clarence R. Harris of Waveland, member of the Hancock County Democratic Executive Committee has announced his candidacy for Alderman, Ward 3, in the November 5, Democratic primary.

Harris, a Waveland native and lifelong resident, resides at 602 Amar Street and is an employee of the Madison Company at the John C. Stennis Space Center.

Harris is a graduate of



CLARENCE HARRIS

the former Valena C. Jones High School in Bay St. Louis and attended Rock Island Technical School in Rock Island, Ill., and Pearl River Vocational Technical School.

He is married to the former Debra Smith of Picayune. They have four children and five grandchildren. He is a member of the Mount Chapel Baptist Church, Waveland.

In making his announcement Harris said, "I am a

family man concerned about the City of Waveland. Exercise your right to vote, as you have the power to make a change for the better. Be sure to vote on Tuesday, November 5."

Barry Richardson has announced his candidacy for Alderman of the new Ward 2 in Waveland. He believes that he can make a big difference in his area.

Richardson was born and raised in Bay St. Louis and has been a Waveland resident since 1974. He worked for the Southern Regional Wastewater Management District for 25 plus years as the chief of Operations and Maintenance.

He has been an auxiliary policeman for the city of Waveland since 1979 and also an auxiliary deputy sheriff with Hancock County. He and his wife, Jo, reside on Gulfside Street.

Richardson says he has a good understanding and knowledge of drainage and construction as a result of his 25 years of employment at Southern Regional.

He recognizes the good work that has been done in the area as well as the problems that will be faced in

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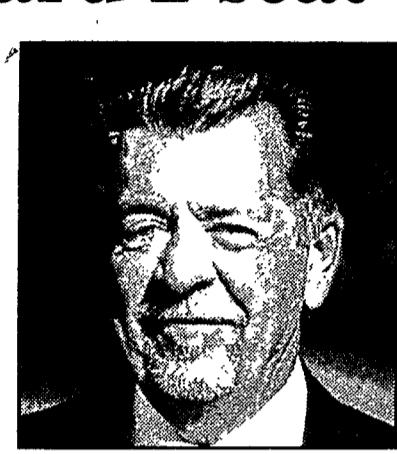
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He recognizes the good work that has been done in the area as well as the problems that will be faced in

Schmitt announces for Ward 1



BRIAN SCHMITT

In closing, I would like to thank all those I have made contact, and I look forward to seeing and serving the good residents of Ward 3 and the good people of Waveland," Schmitt added.

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BUSINESS NEWS

\$1.6 million approved for disaster assistance; additional recovery centers

More than \$1.6 million in federal grants or loans has been approved to help Mississippians in seven counties that were declared disaster areas by the president following the severe weather that occurred between Sept. 23 and Oct. 6, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reported.

Also, FEMA and the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) have announced the scheduled opening of two additional fixed-site Disaster Recovery Centers (DRC) – one to be located in Hancock County at Smith Machine Shop, 7095 Road C (Stennis Airport), Kiln, and the other in Jackson County at the Mississippi State University Extension Services Building, 2941 Pascagoula St., Pascagoula.

A mobile DRC has been deployed to service applicants in the disaster-declared outlying areas, providing a more convenient way for applicants to receive personal one-on-one assistance in those areas.

The first fixed-site DRC, which is open, is located at the Gaston Hewes

Recreational Center, 2608 17th Street, Gulfport.

The \$1,646,210 in federal grants and loans does not include costs yet to be totaled to help the state and local governments pay for cleaning up debris and for damages to roads, bridges and other public facilities.

• 1,218 residents in the seven Mississippi counties have registered for individual disaster assistance since President Bush's disaster declaration of October 1.

• Disaster housing checks totaling \$1,120,960 have been approved to assist with temporary housing and minor home repairs. FEMA inspectors have completed 750 property inspections.

• Mississippi officials so far have approved \$289,150 for Individual and Family Grant (IFG) assistance. IFG may be used to cover serious disaster-related expenses not covered by insurance or other programs.

• The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved \$236,100 in low-interest disaster loans for homeowners, renters and businesses.

• 35 Mississippi govern-

ments, agencies and private non-profit entities have expressed an interest in applying for assistance from the FEMA/Mississippi Public Assistance program that provides funds for the repair of public facilities such as roads, bridges, public buildings and utilities, and for debris removal.

Certain private non-profit organizations that operate eligible facilities may qualify for assistance.

• 253 persons have called the FEMA Helpline at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) for information and answers to questions about their applications.

Figures listed below are as of close of business Thursday, Oct. 10, and reflect approved claims. Not all applicants are eligible for Disaster Housing assistance.

1,335 Mississippi residents file flood insurance claims

Every year, more homes in the U.S. are damaged by floods than by any other natural disaster, a fact well known to residents of the seven southern Mississippi counties affected by Tropical Storm Isidore and Hurricane Lili.

Residents of those counties have already made 1,335 flood insurance claims to begin their rebuilding process.

The severe weather resulted in President Bush declaring a major disaster that included Amite, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Pearl River, Pike and Stone counties for individual disaster assistance.

Disaster officials are reminding homeowners throughout Mississippi that they should purchase flood insurance coverage through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to reduce future flood losses.

The program is administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA).

There are 41,528 Mississippi NFIP policyholders in 274 communities with coverage amounting to nearly \$130 million.

"Flood damage – unlike wind damage – is not covered by homeowner's or business insurance policies," State Coordinating

numbers of the four claims centers are:

Biloxi Claims Center, 2306 Pass Road, Biloxi, (228) 388-1212;

Pascagoula Claims Center, 4111 Amonett Street, Pascagoula, (228) 762-3726

Gulfport Claims Center, 2229 22nd Street, Gulfport (228) 863-0400

Victims must apply for this program by Nov. 1, and may qualify for benefits of up to \$210 per week.

Disaster unemployment assistance covers persons who:

• Are unable to work because their place of employment was put out of operation, or were unable to travel to their workplace due to the effects of storm damage.

• Are self-employed but are prevented from working due to storm damage.

• Have become the breadwinner, or major support of a household because the head of the household died as a result of a disaster.

• Cannot work because of an injury resulting directly from the disaster.

• Farmers and self-employed people who are normally not eligible for unemployment insurance benefits may also qualify.

Workers may qualify for disaster benefits

People who live or work in the seven disaster-declared Mississippi counties and are unable to work as a direct result of the severe weather that occurred Sept. 23 through Oct. 6 may be eligible for disaster unemployment assistance, according to Mississippi Emergency Management Agency's Leon Shaifer, the state official in charge of long-term recovery.

The seven Mississippi counties named in the presidential disaster declaration as being eligible for individual disaster assistance are Amite, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Pearl River, Pike and Stone.

Self-employed and unemployed workers who are not covered by regular state unemployment insurance programs may apply for this federally funded, state-administered assistance.

Federal Emergency Management Agency's Federal Coordinating Officer Michael Bolch added, "Anyone unemployed because of Tropical Storm Isidore should visit and file their claim at one of four designated Mississippi Employment Security Commission offices."

The locations and phone

GE gives corporate donation to support the United Way

This year, the United Way of South Mississippi is among 130 United Ways nationwide that will be receiving gifts totaling nearly \$5 million.

GE's corporate contribution in the amount of \$8,000 will help fund programs in Hancock, Harrison and

Internet workshop

The USM Small Business Development Center is offering a workshop, "An Introduction to the Internet For Small Business" on Saturday, Oct. 19, 9 a.m. to noon at the USM Small Business Development Center Computer Resource Center, Place, Long Beach.

For information, contact the USM Small Business Development Center at 228-865-4578.

Pearl River counties.

"No other community-based entity involves as many GE people in local services as the United Way," says a spokesperson for the GE Fund.

Employers like the hands-on involvement that United Way member agencies give to the employees. A few things they have been involved in, nationwide, are to help build playgrounds, renovate shelters as well as work in the food banks.

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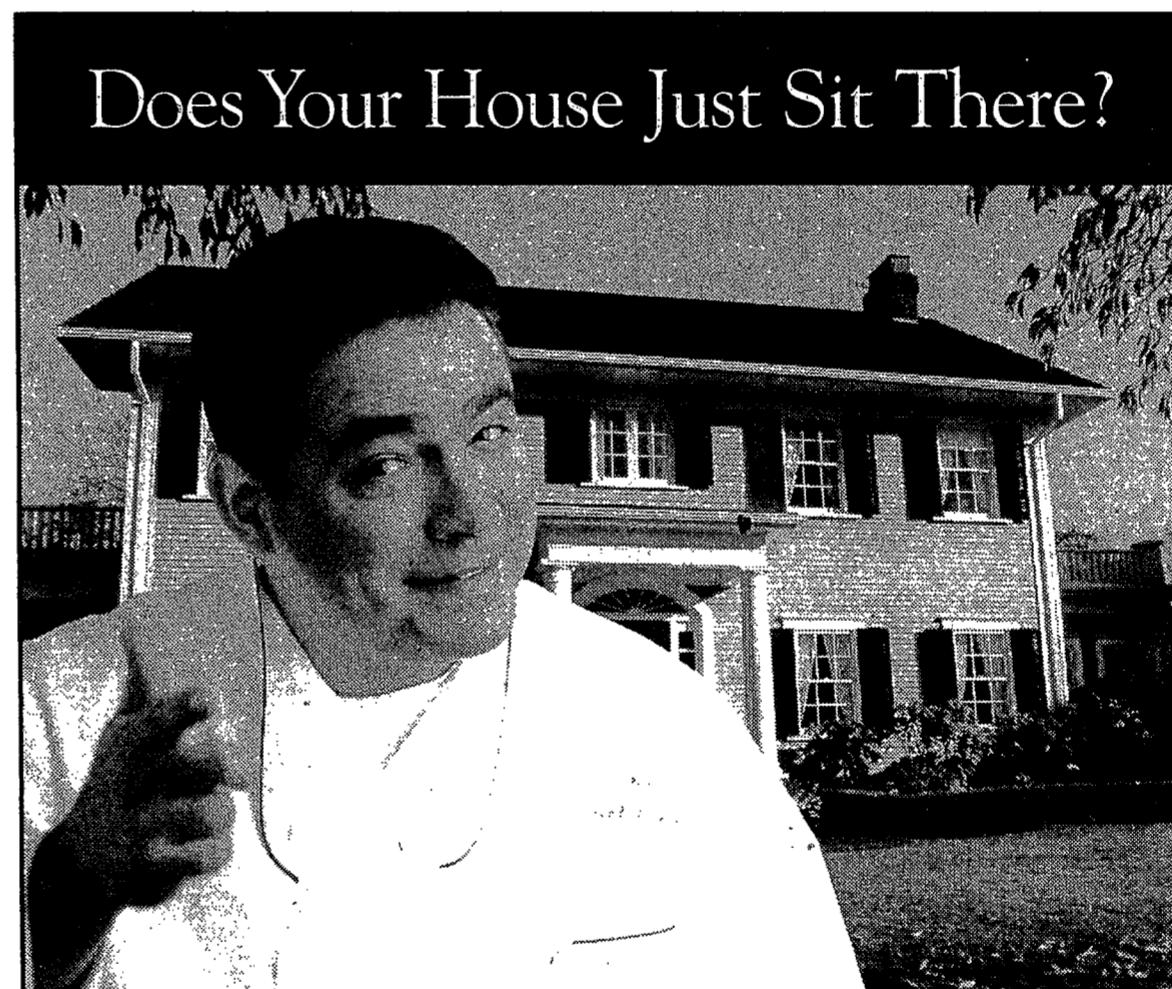
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Scenes from **Cruisin' the Coast 2002** in Bay St. Louis
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Orange Cosmos: color-fall beacons



SOUTHERN GARDENING

BY NORMAN WINTER
MSU Horticulturist
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As you drive around neighborhoods and see gardens, the old-fashioned cosmos stands out like a beacon. I am not talking about the pastel pink and burgundy ones but the brilliant orange and yellow Cosmos sulphureus.

This drought-tolerant member of the aster family hails from Mexico and Central America and loves Mississippi, too.

These awesome double or semi-double orange and yellow flowers produce prolifically most of the growing season. They attract bees, butterflies and the passers-by who gaze at the blossoms. It is not uncommon to see the old-fashioned strains reach 6 to 7 feet by fall.

With a little planning next spring, you can be envied by people throughout the summer. Sow seeds or set out nursery grown transplants in late spring in a weed-free, loose, well-drained bed.

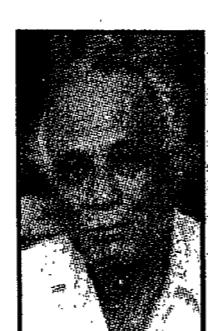
Seeds germinate quickly and will be blooming in eight weeks. Thin seedlings or transplants to 12 to 36 inches depending on variety. Add a good layer of mulch around young plants to help retain moisture and reduce weeds.

Deadheading old flowers will pay dividends with this plant as it gives the impression of wanting to bloom itself to death. Water the plant deeply during long, dry periods and give a mid-to-late-summer pick-me-up with a light application of a slow-release, 12-6-6 fertilizer. You also can plant a mid-summer crop in front of or around the current bloomer.

Although the Cosmos bipinnatus is considered the taller of the two species, it is the Cosmos sulphureus that is at the 6- or 7-foot level in September. If you are growing a tall variety, you will want to plant them to the back of the border.

Blue or violet flowers make the best companions. To make the Rower border sizzle, grow with salvias like the Indigo Spires, Victoria Blue, the Mexican Bush sage and the new Angelmist angelonias.

Another good, tall flower border partner would be the purple ironweed you see growing along the roadside. I just recently saw these in the landscape at the



Views From a Front Porch

by Paul Estranza La Violette
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ing of the transcontinental railroad. What was exceptionally appropriate, his did his reading in the restored train depot in the Bay. I loved it and as I looked around the room during the reading, I could see that everyone else did as well. I also noticed that the room contained a rather mature audience.

An ode to Dr. Ambrose: 'A Passing in the Night'

(Stephen Ambrose died this last Sunday. A little while ago I wrote an article when he gave a talk at the Bay depot on his new book on the transcontinental railroad. I would like to repeat it here as a remembrance of his seemingly magical ability to evoke wonder in all of us of times that have gone by. Times that belonged to all of us, but needed his special touch to raise back in our memories.)

A few nights ago, I and seemingly half the people in the Bay and Waveland had the pleasure of hearing Stephen Ambrose read from his book on the build-

This made me wonder how his reading would have been received by a younger audience of, say, college age.

It might not have been the same.

Sure, a younger audience would have enjoyed the spectacle Ambrose wove of the gargantuan effort involved in building

a railroad across the entire United States. They would have understood the place it held in the dynamic, robust, not-always-pretty history of a nation bursting out of the almost fatalistic mire of the Civil War. Such a story would attract the attention of readers of all ages.

But many of the audience sitting with me in that room had an extra fillip to whet our attention. A fillip a younger generation would not have had — we had ridden the trains. Not necessarily the transcontinental railroad, but still trains. To us, born long before the days of automobiles on interstate highway

and the harried, cramped, shuttle-like transport of planes and airports, there were the regional trains made up of express and locals.

As Ambrose talked, there drifted in our own memories the clatter of steel wheels on rails, the sway of uneven roadbeds, the waiting in lonely depots in the early morning hours and the wonderful sounds of the train engine coming far, far away in the distance. Some of us even remember, as young children, standing deliciously dangerously close to the station platform's edge (a yard, our

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Stephen Ambrose, 1936-2002



A photo from historian Dr. Stephen Ambrose's last public appearance, a reading of his works at Da Beach House in Bay St. Louis.

The famed historian, in his own words

Editor's note: The following biography of Dr. Stephen Ambrose was written by the historian himself, and is excerpted from his website, stephenambrose.com.

BY DR. STEPHEN AMBROSE

I was born in 1936 and grew up in Whitewater, Wisconsin, a small town where my father was the M.D. My high school had only 300 students but was good enough to offer two years of Latin, which taught me the centrality of verbs -- placement, form, tense.

At the University of

Wisconsin, I started as a pre-med, but after a course on American history with William B. Hesseltine, I switched my

major. He was a great teacher of writing, with firm rules such as abandon chronology at your peril; use the active voice; avoid adverbs whenever possible; be frugal with adjectives, as they are but the salt and pepper for the meat (nouns). On to L. S. U., where I studied for

under T. Harry

Williams

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SPORTS

Hancock back in the hunt; Jackson & Elliott snag awards

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

Only one area team felt the thrill of victory last Friday night under the lights while the other three fell short of the line. The Hancock Hawks (4-3) got back in the playoff hunt with a 21-11 win over the Meridian Wildcats on the road. The Rocks, Tigers, and Pirates all fell prey to the competition on the gridiron.

The Hancock Hawks' defense was stiff all game long and the offense wasted no time putting points on the board. Hancock put together a 14-play drive on their first possession that was capped by Ervin

Jackson's six-yard run. Jackson tallied 113 yards on the night.

Brandon Necaise went to the air on two successive plays.

The second pass play was to Myron Fairley who parlayed the catch into a 36-yard scoring strike.

Necaise was intercepted late in the half and Meridian had the ball at the Hawk seven yardline; however, Hancock's defense rose to the occasion and forced the Wildcats to settle for a 28-yard field goal.

In the third quarter, the two teams traded fumbles with Hancock capitalizing on the miscue. Jackson scored his second touch-

down of the night on a three-yard dive.

The Wildcats drove 56 yards and scored with :26 left to play. As they say, "Too little, too late." The Hawks will hit the road on Friday for a game against Hattiesburg.

The Rocks fell victim to division leading D'Iberville on the road last Friday 40-7. Darren McCaleb kicked four field goals from 30, 34, 18, and 24 yards and connected on four PATs to lead the Warriors in the win.

The Rocks' (2-5) lone score came on a 20-yard pass from Jeremy Lewis to Michael Cure in the first half. SSC lost their quarterback, Tim Kulikowski, to

an injury early in the game and it is not known if he will be available for action on Friday night.

This week the Rocks will lock horns with Pass Christian 'in between the walls.'

Pass Christian was defeated by the East Central Hornets 23-6. The Pirates fought poor field position and mistakes the entire contest. Pass High's lone score came via a half-back pass from Anthony Henderson to Chad Musgrove in the third quarter.

The Pirates and the Rocks will tangle with each other on Friday at SSC.

The Bay High Tigers (0-

7) were at the mercy of the Gautier Gators last Friday as they remained winless with a 48-7 loss to Gautier.

The Tigers' lone score came in the fourth quarter when Zack Ferry hit Robbie Pitre in the endzone. The Tigers will host the division leading D'Iberville Warriors on Friday evening.

The Offensive Player of the Week for Week #7 is Hancock's Ervin Jackson

who tallied 113 yards and two scores in the Hawks' 21-11 division win over Meridian on the road.

The Defensive Player of the Week for Week #7 is Darren Elliott who recorded nine tackles, two quarterback sacks and a fumble recovery in Hancock's win last Friday.

All games are set for 7:30 p.m. kickoffs. See you at the game!

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SPORTS

OLA in state semi-finals in volleyball

Crescents to face Hornets for chance to advance to state finals

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Our Lady Academy Crescents defeated the Ocean Springs Lady Greyhounds 15-4, 15-13 in high school girls volleyball playoff action Oct. 15 in Ocean Springs to advance to the state semi-finals at Madison-Ridgeland High School on Saturday.

The win improved the Crescents' record to 27-5 overall and sets up a rematch of last year's semi-final match between OLA and East Central.

Last season, the Crescents defeated the Lady Hornets to advance to the state title game against 5A power Tupelo.

Saturday, OLA will face the Lady Hornets at 1 p.m. on the campus of Madison-Ridgeland High School with the winner playing for the



OLA's volleyball team, featuring: Back row, from left, Julie Reboul, Rachel Cuevas, Rachel Cranford, Jordan Fisher and Clare Adam; and front row, from left, Lauren Renz, Grace Allen, Kaylee Schmitt, Katherine Milner and Jennifer Fortenberry.

state volleyball title against the winner of the Olive Branch-Southaven game.

In the game against Ocean Springs Lady

Greyhounds this past Saturday, Rachel Cranford and Grace Allen led the team with eight kills each.

Cranford added 20 assists in the contest, and Jennifer Fortenberry led the team with eight kills followed by Katherine Milner with four.

PRCC splits with Gulf Coast in soccer

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Pearl River Community College's Lady Wildcats retained their lead in the MACJC-Region XXIII women's soccer derby here Tuesday, blanking arch-rival Mississippi Gulf Coast 2-0.

The Wildcats, on the other hand, were shut out 4-0 and dropped to second place in the division race.

PRCC's women improved to 10-1-2 overall and 5-0 in division play, while the Lady Bulldogs dropped to 3-11 and 1-4. The Bulldogs improved to 7-2-2 and 5-1 and remain tied with Meridian for the lead in the South. The Wildcats fell to 8-5 and 4-2.

In women's action, things were deadlocked at 0-0 at

the intermission, but freshman Gina Neely of George County scored off an assist by Ashley Chrisman of Our Lady Academy with 38:10 left to put PRCC up 1-0.

With just over five minutes left, Chrisman dished off an assist to Neely for the game's final score.

Through 12 games, Chrisman has scored 24 goals. Prior to the Gulf Coast game, the sophomore's total was 10-best in the nation, according to the NJCAA.

In men's action, Gulf Coast's Travis Dickey of D'Iberville scored at the 38:30 mark of the first half to put the Bulldogs up 1-0, then Pascagoula sophomore Steve Chisholm scored his first of two goals on the

afternoon less than a minute later to make it 2-0.

Chisholm padded Gulf Coast's lead with 32:20 left with his second goal, while Josh Ellis of Biloxi finished the scoring with 7:22 left to make it 4-0.

Pearl River's remaining four regular season games are against division foes. Thursday, Meridian plays host (women 4 p.m., men 6 p.m.), then league rival East Central hosts the Wildcats Saturday (10 a.m.). Monday sees a make up game against Jones in Poplarville (women 1 p.m., men 3 p.m.), then Copiah-Lincoln visits Wednesday, Oct. 23 for the final game of the regular season (women 1 p.m., men 3 p.m.).

The 2002 women's MACJC State Tournament will be held Oct. 26-27 at the South Division's regular season champion, while the women's Region XXIII Tournament will be held Nov. 1 at the home field of the state champion.

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SSC X-Country wins invitational

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws cross country team recorded their first win in the SSC/OLA Cross Country Invitational in the last five years on Saturday, October 12 at Buccaneer State Park in Waveland. The OLA Crescents finished seventh overall.

SSC cross country coach Steve Flannery commented, "As far as the meet goes, I was thrilled with the turnout of the teams in each division. We were blessed with beautiful weather and tremendous athletes. There were over 300 athletes at this one competition. It was a beautiful day with a festival-like atmosphere."

The course was set throughout the state park which lines the Waveland beach area.

Flannery continued, "I am very excited for our team in their first place finish. This was one of three meets that we have focused on all season long. It is the first time that we have won our meet in the five years that I have been coaching here. I am very, very proud of our boys in all divisions."

SSC tallied 42 points in the meet which was 14 points better than second place Ocean Springs. Fontainebleau scored 75 points followed by D'Iberville with 127, Picayune 131, and E.D. White of Thibodeaux, LA

with 156 points. In all there were 90 runners in the varsity boys division. Kyle Lewis (17:11) was SSC's top finisher in third place followed by Kody Cannon (18:25) in fourth place. Allen Leone (18:35) and Troy Johnston (18:46) were sixth and seventh while Danny Surbeck was the Rocks fifth finisher in 22nd overall.

The SSC junior high boys team placed third out of nine teams which was their highest finish all season. Ocean Springs was second.

The OLA varsity girls finished seventh behind Ocean Springs.

The meet was won by St. Andrew's of Jackson. Jennifer Asper was OLA's top finisher in fourth overall with a time of 16:52. There were over 90 runners in the girls division.

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Ambrose -- in his own words

who stressed the importance of writing well. After getting my M.A. degree in 1958, I returned to Wisconsin to do my Ph.D. work under Hesseltine.

Funny thing, Harry Williams was a much better writer than Hesseltine, but Hesseltine was the better teacher of writing. We graduate students once asked him: "How can you demand so much from us when your own books are not all that well written," as we confronted him with a review of one of his books that praised his research and historical understanding but deplored his writing. Hesseltine replied, "My dear boys, You have a better teacher than I did."

From 1960 to 1995 I was a full-time teacher (University of New Orleans, Rutgers, Kansas State, Naval War College, U.C. Berkeley, a number of European schools, among others), something that has been invaluable to my writing. There is nothing like standing before 50 students at 8 a.m. to start talking about an event that occurred 100 years ago, because the look on their faces is a challenge -- "lets see you keep me awake." You learn what works and what doesn't in a hurry.

Teaching and writing are one to me -- in each case I am telling a story. As I sit at my computer, or stand at the podium, I think of myself as sitting around the campfire after a day on the trail, telling stories that I hope will have the members of the audience, or the readers, leaning forward just a bit, wanting to know what happens next.

Some of the rules of writing I've developed on my own include: never try to write about a battle until you have walked the ground; when you write about politicians, keep in mind that somebody has to do it; you are a story-teller, not God, so your job is not to pass judgments but to explain, illustrate, inform and entertain.

The idea for a book comes in a variety of ways. I started as a Civil War historian because Hesseltine taught the Civil War. I wrote about Eisenhower because he asked me to become his biographer, on the basis of a book I had done on Henry Halleck, Lincoln's Chief of Staff. I never wanted to write about Nixon but my editor (Alice Mayhew at

Simon and Schuster) made me do it by saying, "Where else can you find a greater challenge?" I did Crazy Horse and Custer because I took my family camping in the Black Hills of South Dakota and got hooked on the country, and the topic brought me back to the Black Hills many times. I did Meriwether Lewis to have an excuse to keep returning to Montana, thus covering even more of the American West.

My World War II books flowed out of the association with Eisenhower, along with my feelings toward the GIs. I was ten years old when the war ended. I thought the returning veterans were giants who had saved the world from barbarism. I still think so. I remain a hero worshiper. Over the decades I've interviewed thousands of veterans. It is a privilege to hear their stories, then write them up.

What drives me is curiosity. I want to know how this or that was done -- Lewis and Clark getting to the Pacific; the GIs on D-Day; Crazy Horse's Victory over George Custer at the Little Big Horn; the making of an elite company in the 101st Airborne, and so on. And I've found that if I want to know, I've got to do the research and then write it up myself. For me, the act of writing is the act of learning.

I'm blessed to have Moira Buckley Ambrose as my wife. She was an English Lit major and school teacher; she is an avid reader; she has a great ear. At the end of each writing day, she sits with me and I read aloud what I've done. After more than three decades of this, I still can't dispense with requiring her first of all to say, "That's good, that's great, way to go." But then we get to work. We make the changes. This reading aloud business is critical to me -- I've developed an ear of my own, so I can hear myself read -- as it reveals awkward passages better than anything else. If I can't read it smoothly, it needs fixing. Hesseltine used to tell his students that the art of writing is the art of applying the seat of the pants to the seat of a chair. It is a monk's existence, the loneliest job in the world. As Moira and I have five kids (at one time all teens together; the phone in the evenings can be imagined) I started going to bed at eight to get up at

four and have three quiet hours for writing before the teaching day began. The kids grew up and moved out and I retired in May, 1995, but I keep to the habit.

I'm sometimes asked which of my books is my own favorite. My answer is, whatever one I'm working on. Right now (Winter 1999) a book on World War II in the Pacific as well as a book on the 15th airforce and the B-24 Liberators they flew. I think the greatest achievement of the American Republic in the 18th Century was the army at Valley Forge; in the 19th Century it was the Army of the Potomac; in the 20th Century, it was the U.S. military in WWII. I want to know how we beat the Japanese in the Pacific and how our airforce helped us beat the Germans. To do a book of this scope is daunting but rewarding. I get paid for interviewing the old soldiers and reading their private memoirs. My job is to pick out the best one of every fifty or so stories and pass it along to readers, along with commentary on what it illustrates and teaches. It is a wonderful way to make a living.

My experiences with the military have been as an observer. The only time I wore a uniform was in naval ROTC as a freshman at the University of Wisconsin, and in army ROTC as a sophomore. I was in second grade when the United States entered World War II, in sixth grade when the war ended. When I graduated from high school, in 1953, I expected to go into the army, but within a month the Korean War ended and I went to college instead. Upon graduation in 1957, I went straight to graduate school. By the time America was again at war, in 1964, I was twenty-eight years old and the father of five children. So I never served.

But I have admired and respected the men who did fight since my childhood. When I was in grade school World War II dominated my life. My father was a navy doctor in the Pacific. My mother worked in a pea cannery beside German POWs (Afrika Korps troops captured in Tunisia in May 1943). Along with my brothers -- Harry, two years older, and Bill, two years younger -- I went to the movies three times a week (ten cents six nights a week, twenty-five cents on Saturday night), not to see the films, which

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were generally Clinkers, but to see the newsreels which were almost exclusively about the fighting in North Africa, Europe, and the Pacific. We played at war constantly. "Japs", vs. Marines, GIs vs. "Krauts".

In high school I got hooked on Napoleon. I read various biographies and studied his campaigns. As a seventeen-year-old freshman in naval ROTC, I took a course on naval history, starting with the Greeks and ending with World War II (in one semester!). My instructor had been a submarine skipper in the Pacific and we all worshipped him. More important, he was a gifted teacher who loved the navy and history. Although I was a premed student with plans to take up my father's practice in Whitewater, Wisconsin, I found the history course to be far more interesting than chemistry or physics. But in the second semester of naval ROTC, the required course was gunnery. Although I was an avid hunter and thoroughly familiar with shotguns and rifles, the workings of the five inch cannon baffled me. So in my sophomore year I switched to army ROTC.

Also that year, I took a course entitled "Representative Americans" taught by Professor William B. Hesseltine. In his first lecture he announced that in this course we would not be writing term papers that summarized the conclusions of three or four books; instead we would be doing original research on nineteenth-century Wisconsin politicians, professional and business leaders, for the purpose of putting together a dictionary of Wisconsin biography that would be deposited in the state historical society. We would, Hesseltine told us, be contributing to the world's knowledge. The words caught me up. I had never imagined I could do such a thing as contribute to the world's knowledge. Forty-five years later, the phrase continues to resonate with me. It changed my life.

At the conclusion of the lecture -- on General Washington -- I went up to him and asked how I could do what he did for a living. He laughed and said to stick around, he would show me. I went straight to the registrar's office and changed my major from premed to history. I have been at it ever since.

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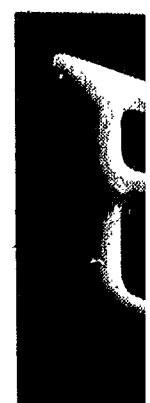
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The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre has rescheduled its production of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" for Friday, Oct. 18, and Saturday Oct. 19, at 8 p.m. A Sunday matinee will

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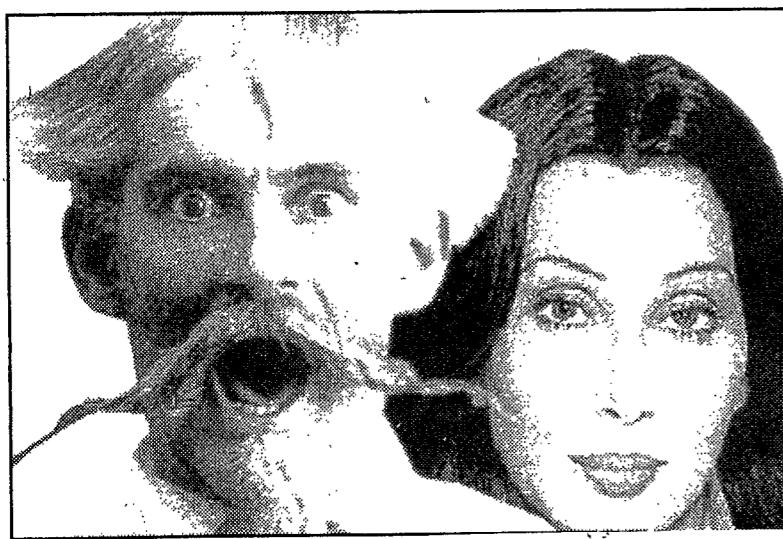
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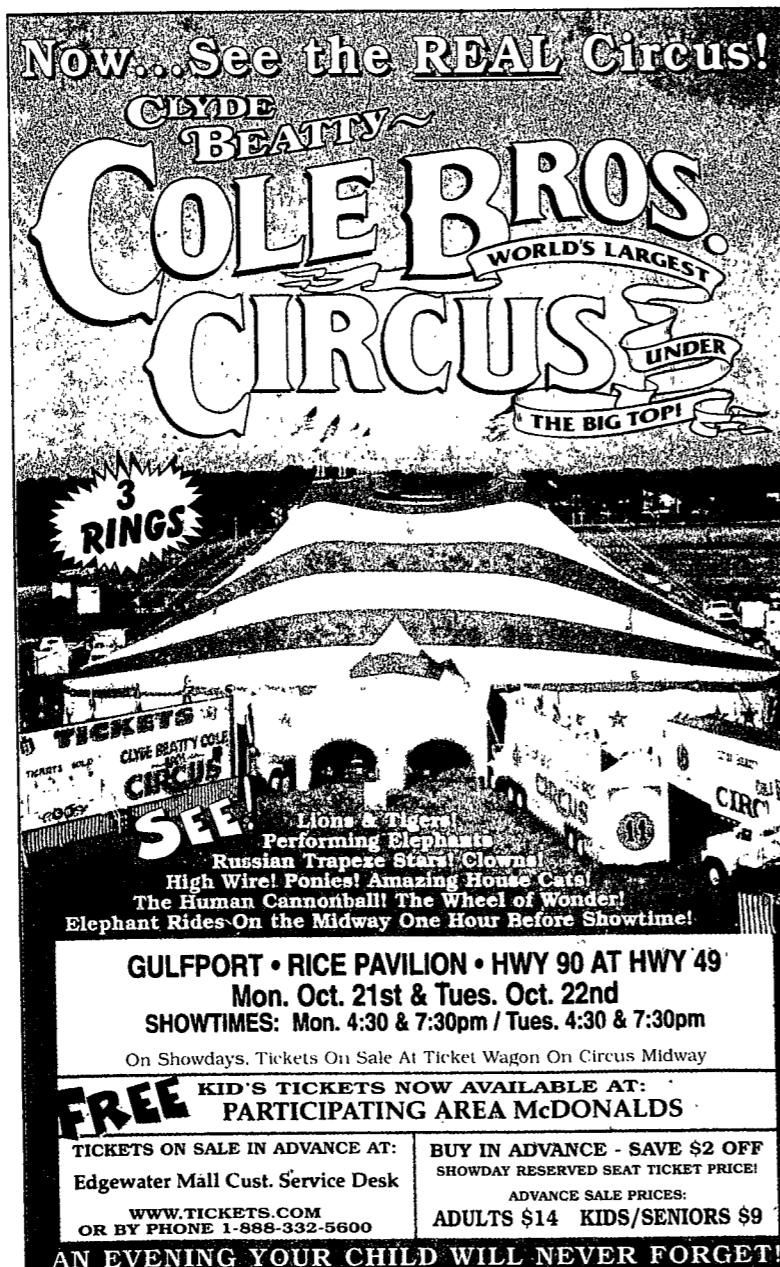
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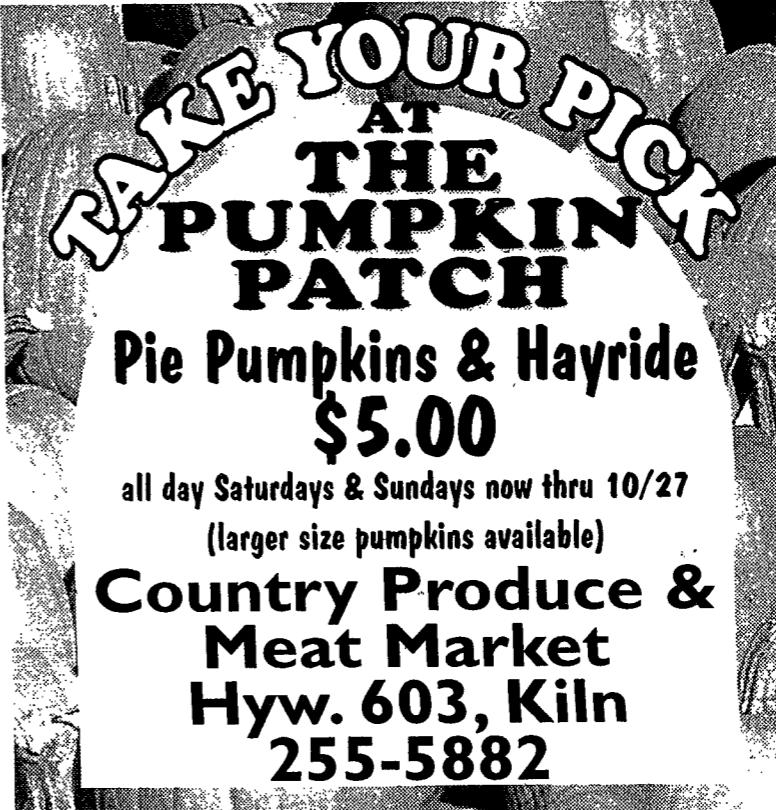
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